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LOUISA WOMAN DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

THE WIFE OF MR. J. H. PRESTON
GOES TO HER SURE
REWARD.

Mrs. Nancy Hays Preston, wife of J. Henry Preston, peacefully passed away at her home on Look-ay, this city last Friday evening about 6 o'clock. Although Mrs. Preston's health had not been good for years, she had been almost an invalid for the past four or five years; her death was unexpected at this time, as she had been cheerful and seemed to feel as well as usual all day. Her trouble was dropsy and heart disease. An hour or less before her death she had undergone an operation for dropsy, such as had been necessary every few weeks lately. After the operation she spoke of how comfortable she was and how well she felt and gave instructions to those around to serve refreshments to friends in the house, showing her thought of "others" to the last. It was not long before she began another and was carried to her bed on the sleeping porch where she had come as quietly as if she were going to sleep. Not a struggle nor a sigh marked the last moments of her life.

For two years her condition had been so serious that it was considered remarkable that she continued to live. Yet she was cheerful and took a lively interest in everything. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon, July 9th, at the residence. Hundreds of friends paid a final tribute with their presence, their tears, and flowers. The house, the large porch and the yard were filled with sorrowing neighbors. The services were conducted by Mrs. Preston's pastor, Rev. L. E. McElwaine, assisted by Revs. H. B. Hewlett and N. H. Young. Mr. McElwaine's tribute to the deceased was beautiful and touching. Her Christianity was of a type and degree that justified the strong endorsement given by the pastor who had often ministered to her at the bedside. Songs which she had selected for the occasion were beautifully sung by the choir.

The interment on Pine Hill took place immediately after the conclusion of the services at the residence. Automobiles carried a considerable number of friends to the cemetery. The pall bearers were Dr. T. D. Burgess, A. O. Carter, A. M. Hughes, M. S. Burns, A. L. Burton and M. F. Conley. Mrs. Preston was born March 27, 1865, being 51 years old at her death. She was married Dec. 11, 1884. Her father was John Hays, of Charley, one of the county's wealthiest citizens. Mr. and Mrs. Preston moved to Louisa about 1889. Three daughters were born to them, Ella, Beulah and Elizabeth. The two older ones died in their 21st year, and Elizabeth died several years ago at the age of twelve, leaving the parents childless. The children were victims of tuberculosis. The parents took them to a climate more favorable than this, the hope of effecting a cure, but it was all in vain. The dates of the burial of the three daughters were Elizabeth, December 5, 1902; Ella, November 23, 1904; and Beulah, May 1, 1908.

Mrs. Preston had been a member of the M. E. Church South for more than sixteen years. Her devotion to the church was unusual, and a more devout Christian can not be found. She was interested in every phase of religious work. The subject of the new building to be erected by her church was one of intense interest up to the hour of her death. Often she expressed a hope that she might live to worship in the new structure. She and her thoroughly Christian husband were among the largest contributors to the building fund and also to the support of the ministry. Mrs. Preston had not been able to attend church services for more than a year. The last time she was out in town was during the Christmas holidays, when she was taken out in a wheel chair. Mrs. Preston was a devoted wife and loving mother, gentle and kind to all. Her good husband cared for her most tenderly during her long illness. A trained nurse kept with her for a year or more. Mrs. Preston was in full sympathy with her work at all times. To him there goes out the most profound sympathy.

Among those who were called here by the death of Mrs. J. H. Preston were the following relatives:

Messrs. Lyle Hays, Green Hays, Joe Hays and Major Hays, and Miss Ethel Hays, of Charley, brothers and niece of Mrs. Preston; Mrs. Mary S. Ward, of Paintsville; and Mrs. Lizzie Stapleton, of River, sisters of Mr. Preston; Messrs. Cyrus Preston, of Thebes, Ed. Preston, of Thebes, and F. B. Preston, of Lacey, half brothers of Mr. Preston; Mr. Dan Woods, of Paintsville; Mr. Lyle Ward, of Williamstown, W. Va.; and Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Hatten, of Buchanan. Others from Charley started in automobiles Sunday, but were delayed and did not reach here.

In honor of Master Charles Allen Gault, of Logan, W. Va., some little girls and boys were entertained at the Remmele home on Look-ay, last Friday evening. After a delightful time spent on the lawn the little folks were seated on a large rug and delicious ice cream was served. The party was taken for a walk to the locks and later visited the picture show. The children were told not to call it a party, but it was a good imitation of one that the fifteen guests had a mighty nice time.

JORDAN TO MOVE TO LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Says the Portsmouth Times: Roy Jordan who was acquitted of a charge of murder of his wife, Mrs. Pamela Jordan, recently, called at the home of Judge Thomas C. Beatty Tuesday afternoon, and left a note which stated that he intended to move from his farm at Flat Woods, near Lucasville, to Lawrence County, Ky., within the next few days and requested that his three children, James, 13; George, 8, and Fred, 3 be placed in his custody. The three boys are now in the Scioto county Children's Home.

It is to be remembered that Geo. and James, two of the sons, testified on the witness stand that their father shot their mother with a shot gun.

CHANGES IN OFFICIALS OF C. & O. RAILROAD.

A number of new official changes have been announced in the Chesapeake & Ohio offices among which was the appointment of C. A. Pennington as assistant superintendent of the Huntington and Big Sandy divisions, with headquarters in Huntington.

A circular over the signature of General Superintendent L. B. Allen announced the jurisdiction of Superintendent E. L. Book as extending over the Huntington and Big Sandy divisions. Other official changes were announced in a circular as follows:

"The following appointments will become effective July 10, 1916:

"Mr. B. A. Davis is appointed Train Master, Handy District, Headquarters, Handy, W. Va., vice Mr. F. L. Fletcher, transferred."

"Mr. D. S. Baals is appointed Assistant Train Master and Road Foreman of Engines, Handy District, Headquarters, Handy, W. Va., vice Mr. H. A. Davis, promoted."

"Mr. M. H. Daniels is appointed Assistant Train Master and Road Foreman of Engines, Big Sandy Division, Headquarters, Paintsville, Ky., vice Mr. D. S. Baals, transferred."

CANNON FOR VANCEBURG IS OBTAINED BY FIELDS.

Washington, July 8.—Representative W. J. Fields today introduced a bill to authorize the Secretary of War to send to Vanceburg for the John T. Parker Post, No. 57, Kentucky G. A. R., one condemned cannon and a suitable outfit for cannon balls to be placed in the yard of the Lewis county court house.

YOUNG MAN OF FT. GAY ELECTROCUTED

TAYLOR RATCLIFF INSTANTLY
KILLED BY TOUCHING A
LIVE WIRE.

Taylor Ratcliff, son of Wm. Ratcliff, of Fort Gay, was killed near Akron, Ohio, on Tuesday of this week. He was employed by the Ohio Telephone company and was alone when killed. It is thought he was electrocuted by the telephone wire coming in contact with a high tension line carrying a heavy voltage. The accident happened while Ratcliff was strapping to a telephone pole near the top. He had been dead for quite a while, evidently, when it was discovered.

BLOW ON EAR RESTORED HEARING.

A. Royer, who claims his home as Pittsburg, can hear today out of his left ear for the first time in seven years as a result of a blow on the side of the ear from the fist of a fellow prisoner in the city jail last night during a fight which occurred there during which several of the prisoners received badly discolored faces. When Royer was arraigned the Judge announced he could hear after seven years deafness and he besought the Judge to let him go home at once so he could break the news to relatives. The Judge, who always rejoices in any one's good luck, told Royer to go his way and in no more. Royer heard his first time and was not long in shaking the dust of the city off his feet.—Ashland Independent.

AGED WOMAN CREMATED.

Jackson, Ky., July 7.—Mrs. Thomas Strong, aged eighty-six, was burned to death when her home, on Prosen Creek, four miles from Jackson, caught fire at two o'clock this morning. She and her husband were there alone, and Mrs. Strong had left the house after the fire began, but returned during the fire and was caught in the flames.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Walter Hughes, 21, to Beatty Pennington, 18, of Yatesville.
Charles Gilliam, 29, to Effie Evans, 27, of Blaine.
Stanley Adams, 21, to Mattie Roberts, 19, of Yatesville and Brad neighborhood.
Allen Clay, 31, to Sophia Fugate, 25.

NEW OIL WELLS.

Drilling on the farms of Wm. Savage and John Yates continues. The wells being brought in on these places by the Big Blaine Oil company are paying producers.

KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT OUT WEST.

MISS JESSIE CRANK, OF THIS
COUNTY, SUDDENLY KILLED
IN CALIFORNIA.

Miss Jessie Crank, age 31, daughter of C. C. Cranke, of Tateville, was killed in an automobile accident at San Francisco Tuesday. The body will be brought home for burial. She went there five years ago with a brother and was employed as a stenographer.

Miss Crank was a daughter of one of our good citizens. She is said by those who knew her to have been a bright young lady. As a stenographer she had "made good" in San Francisco and was filling a desirable position. Her untimely death is very sad and a great shock to all her friends and relatives.

PAT WITHROW AT LOUISA.

Pat Withrow, superintendent of the Union Mission at Charleston, W. Va., came to Louisa last Saturday afternoon and held service at the court house that evening. Sunday morning also, at the same place, he preached to a large congregation. The "Saturday" night audience was not as large as the service deserved, but it is always difficult to get a good sized gathering on Saturday evening. It was a remarkable service, intensely interesting and very impressive. By request of his friend, Rev. McElwaine, Mr. Withrow related in detail a trip he made to Washington to get an interview with Wm. J. Bryan and later with Vice President Marshall, resulting in taking the latter to Charleston to help in an important fight against the bad conditions in the city.

On Sunday morning the sermon was on the power of prayer. Personal experiences were used to prove his text and his assertions that all proper things may be accomplished through prayer. He is one of the rarest exponents of an intense Christian character. His faith is so strong and so evident as to produce an unusual impression upon his hearers.

Withrow was a bar tender and bootlegger until converted. He is now doing as great work in the rescue line as can be found anywhere. The secret of it all is his great faith, his earnestness, his enthusiasm, his deep conviction, his simple and unaffected manner, his intense desire to save souls.

It is to be hoped he may be able to get him to Louisa for a series of services later on.

The two Methodist churches joined in the worship on these occasions.

JAILED FOR KILLING AFTER THREE MONTHS IN HIDING.

After evading arrest for over three months, Godfrey Blankenship, charged with killing Harrison McCoy, on Knox Creek, Pike-co., has been captured and is now in the county jail at Pikeville, without bail, according to news received here this morning.

Following the shooting, which occurred March 20, Blankenship fled to the mountains and despite the vigilance of officers and several possees managed to remain at large until Friday.

The killing is said to have been the result of an old feud. Blankenship, it is said, will plead self-defense as McCoy, it is claimed, had a gun and upon meeting Blankenship indulged in some words which Blankenship construed as a threat.

AUTO OVERTURNED AND IS BURNED.

Ashland, Ky., July 7.—An automobile occupied by Herman Franz and G. H. Draper, of Russell, and two parties from Huntington, W. Va., whose names could not be learned, overturned near Ashland last night and was destroyed by fire. Draper is in a local hospital suffering from serious internal injuries, which may prove fatal. The other occupants of the car escaped serious injuries.

REFORM SCHOOL BOYS DROPPED.

Port Thomas, Ky., July 8.—Captain Helm is having trouble with the members of his company who were taken from the Reform School at Greendale and enlisted in the National Guard. Captain Helm turned his master-in-roll over to Captain Easton Gibson, U. S. A., mustering officer, today and the names of the men of the Reform School were stricken off. The muster-in roll was sent back to the commander of Company I to be rewritten.

Captain Helm said this afternoon he would take the matter to the War Department for final settlement.—Lexington Herald.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK.

CHICAGO, July 12.—(Box.) Receipts 34,000; weak; hogs, \$5.52-5.55; light, \$5.40-5.50; mixed, \$5.40-5.50; heavy, \$5.20-5.10; roughs, \$5.25-5.50, pigs, \$5.10-5.25.

Cattle—Receipts 16,000; steady; calves strong; native beef cattle, \$7.00-11.00; western steers, \$8.10-9.25; stockers and feeders, \$7.40-8.40; cows and heifers, \$5.50-9.60; calves, \$8.50-12.25.

Sheep—Receipts 17,000; steady; lambs weak; 13 to 15 lower; wethers, \$6.75-7.30; ewes, \$5.25-7.50; lambs \$7.50-10.30.

A happy affair of the week was the party given by Miss Millie Wellman on last Friday evening to a number of her young friends. Refreshments of ice and cake were served late in the evening.

CHAS. B. MEYERS DIES IN DENVER.

Capt. William Meyers, of Ashland, well known C. & O. conductor, received a telegram informing him that his son Chas. B. Meyers, had died Monday night at his home in Denver, Colo. The news came as a great surprise and a shock to Mr. Meyers and to other relatives of the deceased as it was not known that he was critically ill. He had not been well for some time, but his condition was not deemed immediately serious.

Charles Meyers is well and favorably known in Ashland, where he was born and reared. He has been residing for the past four years in Denver, where he was employed as chief engineer in one of the government buildings. He was thirty-eight years of age and is survived by Mrs. Meyers and son, his father and the following brothers: William, of Covington; Buford, of Virginia; Frank, of Logan, W. Va.; and Walter, whose present address is not known.

Capt. Meyers and family lived in Louisa several years ago.

REV. C. H. WILLIAMSON.

Rev. C. H. Williamson, Ph. D., pastor of First Presbyterian church in Memphis, Tenn., will be the guest of his father-in-law, R. T. Burns next Monday night and will remain a day or two only.

Mr. Burns would be pleased to have all the ministers of the town and meet his preacher son-in-law, and for his many friends to call and renew their old acquaintance.

Doctor Williamson is enroute to Huntington, W. Va., to be present at the National Convention of the Goldenes, having been selected to deliver an address to that body.

DISTRICT WARDEN APPOINTED.

W. M. Fulkerson, of Louisa has been reappointed district warden and came to Louisa today. He says the law will be enforced against violators. Those not having license are warned that they must not hunt without first procuring license.

OLD SOLDIER PASSED AWAY.

Thomas Justice, who served in Co. F, 14th Kentucky Infantry, during the Civil War, died at his home in Hunnewell. The remains were buried at Essex.

The deceased is survived by three sons and three daughters.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A LITTLE GIRL

DAUGHTER OF MRS. GREER, OF
LOUISA, KILLED BY
A SHOT.

Othie Fairchild, of Louisa, was accidentally shot and fatally wounded at Salyersville Tuesday. She died the following day and the body was buried at that place.

The above paragraph tells the sad ending of the following story that was put into type when the first news reached us.

Mrs. Greer, of this city, was called to Salyersville Tuesday by a telephone message announcing that her daughter who was visiting there had been accidentally shot in the thigh. Mrs. Greer left on the evening train for her daughter's bedside.

The little girl, Othie Fairchild, is seven years of age and was visiting relatives near Salyersville. She is the daughter of Mrs. Greer by a former marriage. The Greers live on Madison-st., next door to the Southern Methodist parsonage. No particulars of the shooting have been learned here.

FALSE REPORT CORRECTED.

Mr. F. E. Cassidy writes from Paintsville saying that the report that he is married is untrue. The item came in last week bearing the signature of a friend of the parties and we had no reason to doubt the truth of it. However, we are very glad to make the correction.

Miss Beatie Thompson, of Normal, who was the other party to the affair, desires to have the NEWS say that the report was a mistake.

GRAYSON ITEMS.

The following is from the Grayson items in Ashland Independent: G. W. Atkinson and wife of Louisa called on Bro. Neal and wife Sunday. R. B. says he hopes to interest him in the water works proposition for our town.

Mr. Marcum, the popular C. & O. agent at Louisa and Supt. of the Bible school of the Christian church with his wife and family were welcome visitors at R. B. Neale Sunday. They came through in their Ford. Bro. Neal now has a Ford, Maxwell and an Overland at his command for a trip to Ashland and Catlettsburg and Louisa. Wonder which one he will take.

Last but not least was Haskel Lee, a student from Johnson Bible College, Gimberlin Heights, Tenn. He is a safe and sane chauffeur and the Grayson girls, a number of them were "delighted" and want him to come again, soon and often.

Mrs. Fanny Flowers and mother, Mrs. Mitchell have moved to Glenhax, W. Va. Mrs. Flowers has been a friend of Ironton many years, and her many friends are sorry to know she has left Ironton.—Ironton News.

COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

INTERESTING ANNUAL GATHER-
ING HELD AT BLAINE
RECENTLY.

After weeks of preparation on the part of the Sunday school workers of the county Saturday morning, June 24th, dawned with a cloudy sky and many other indications of rain. Previously it had been decided that several automobiles should make the journey to the town of Blaine to the Lawrence County Sunday School Convention, each one carrying a full quota of delegates. But of that number only two went. One car was driven by Mr. Gus Snyder and carried the following persons: M. S. Burns, A. O. Carter, W. J. Vaughan and Willie Vaughan; the other party was composed of Mrs. Geo. Atkinson, Miss Althea Silvers, Mr. Haskel Lee, Mr. C. B. Wellman and another, whose name I do not know.

At 7 o'clock we started on that 25 mile automobile trip, defeated yet undaunted. As we climbed the hills and sped along through the valleys the conversation ranged everywhere from religion to politics and now and then an outburst of laughter announced that one more rough place had been crossed. But to make the journey more pleasant "old Sol" poured through a rent in the clouds a flood of golden sunshine, which brought an exclamation of joy from the travelers. After about two and one-half hours we began to coast down the Hood hill and saw meeting at its foot the little town of Blaine and then realized that he had reached our destiny.

At 10 o'clock the convention began with a moderately good congregation, all of which were men, a very rare occurrence. Immediately after calling the convention to order the county president, M. S. Burns, read the 23rd psalm upon which Rev. Gross of the M. E. Church of Blaine prayed. The music for the morning session was furnished by the choir from Cordell. The welcome address was delivered by G. W. Kouns of Blaine. In a very appropriate manner he bade us welcome in the homes of the people of Blaine.

He said also "a convention always brings an inspiration to me," and it is our hope that everyone who attended the convention had the same experience. To this welcome Hon. A. O. Carter, of Louisa, responded in a manner that did himself honor and justice. It was hoped that Mr. Geo. A. Joplin, the general secretary of the Kentucky Sunday School Association, could be present at this convention, but it was impossible and the field worker brought the message in his stead. One part of which was that Lawrence county has had only two Presidents in the 26 years of its history and they were both lawyers and each named Burns. Another was that only six have served in the capacity of secretary and of this number three have been Vaughans. Also that Lawrence was the first banner county in the mountains and that today Lawrence has more schools than any other county in Eastern Kentucky. The next speaker on the program was Mr. C. R. Holbrook, whose subject was "Seeing Visions." Mr. Holbrook quoted many examples from the Bible and then told us of the Visions that Fanny Crosby, though blind, "had seen" and in a fitting manner read to the convention one of the beautiful hymns that Fanny Crosby had composed while in that state of blindness. The convention was then adjourned until the afternoon.

After a dinner that would satisfy a king, the convention again convened. After the devotional service the report of the county secretary was read and accepted. The president appointed the following committees on nominations: W. J. Vaughan, G. W. Kouns and E. H. Burton, on Resolutions; A. W. Osborne, C. F. Osborn and Miss Pearl Walker, Rev. H. C. Bitter of Webbville, Rev. Gross and W. J. Vaughan spoke along lines of Sunday school work and the convention was adjourned for supper.

The music for the evening service was furnished by the local choir. W. J. Vaughan then spoke on "The Sunday school and the kingdom movement" in which he said that "the purpose of the Sunday school is to make the Bible a better known book, a better loved book, and a better obeyed book."

After a refreshing sleep in the generous homes of Blaine we began the last session of the convention. The sky was clear, the sun beamed forth with all its radiance, and in general the weather was ideal and as a result the audience that in first session was composed only of men was fairly well divided, if anything a majority of the women, at least 150 present.

The first thing on the program was the Sunday school lesson taught by one of the best Sunday school teachers in the county, C. R. Holbrook. The nominating committee reported as follows: For President, M. S. Burns; Vice President, A. O. Carter; Secretary, W. H. Vaughan; Asst. Secretary, A. W. Osborne. And the department officers were nominated "as follows: Miss Jennie Bromley, J. M. Cain, C. B. Wellman, Prof. E. M. Kennison, Mrs. G. W. Atkinson, C. C. Burton, M. O. Berry, and Mrs. R. L. Vinton. The committee on resolutions reported a list of six resolutions one of which was "Resolved that we extend our appreciation and thanks to the editors of the Big Sandy News and the Herald, because of the uniform kindness and courtesy extended by each of them to officials of the Lawrence County Sunday School Association. They have published without charge official announcements and other matters of interest to the Sunday school workers which has been of great assistance to the cause and explains partly why Lawrence county had more than 6000 people in Sunday school on May 7, 1916."

The remainder of the day passed very rapidly, the field worker gave a brief history of the growth and development of the Sunday school work. After this an offering was taken in which the people responded very generously.

The convention stood and was dismissed and so passed into history the 26th annual convention of the Lawrence County Sunday School Association.

DROWNED IN TENNESSEE.

The funeral services of Hubert Ramey were held at Carter Tuesday evening. The body, the wife and two brothers arrived on the noon train and went immediately to the burying ground at Carter.

Members of the Masonic lodge here attended the funeral and assisted in the Masonic rites.

Mr. Ramey was in the portrait business at Knoxville, Tenn. His business had called him out of town and when he came to cross the river he found the boat on the opposite side. Discarding his clothing, he started to swim to the other shore for the boat, but, when in mid-stream, he appeared to be seized with a cramp which caused his drowning.

He leaves a large number of relatives here. His father and mother live on Buffalo, about two miles from Carter. The wife, who is a Tennessee girl, is young and not very strong, having recently undergone an operation for appendicitis.—Grayson Journal.

B. & O. NOT AFTER THE E. K.

An official of the E. K. Railway in position to know, stated that there is no truth in the rumor which is current that the B. & O. has purchased the E. K. The same official also stated that so far as the E. K. officials have knowledge the B. & O. has no designs on the Riverton-Grayson Railway.

THROWN OFF FREIGHT TRAIN

Pearl Kiekaden, of Augusta, is in a railroad hospital at Dayton, Ky., suffering from injuries sustained when he was thrown from the top of a freight train, both legs being broken and his head badly injured. The accident happened to the west of Augusta.

MRS. MOUSIE HOPKINS DIES AT CATLETTSBURG.

WOMAN WELL KNOWN IN BIG
SANDY VALLEY STRICKEN
BY APOPLEXY.

Mrs. Mousie Martin Hopkins, widow of Capt. John C. Hopkins, and one of the best known and best beloved women in Catlettsburg, died at her home at the residence of her son-in-law, Ed. S. Hughes, on Saturday last, following a stroke of paralysis. She had been attending the Ashland Chautauqua all week and had just returned to her home about 9 a. m. and was stricken by the blow which caused her death a few hours later. Interment followed on Monday afternoon in the Ashland cemetery and was very largely attended. The funeral was held from the residence and was conducted by Dr. Condit, of Ashland, assisted by the pastors of the Catlettsburg churches. She is survived by one son, John, of Ashland, and three daughters, Mrs. J. O. Mathewson, of Ashland, Mrs. Geo. Dimmick, of Huntington, and Mrs. Ed. S. Hughes of Catlettsburg.

Mrs. Hopkins was born in Prestonsburg, Ky., being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Martin. Her father was prominent in Congress for more than one term and was a leader of the Kentucky Legislature at a time when there were mental giants in that body. Her mother, a woman of fine intelligence and culture, was a sister of the late Greenville Lackey, who was one of Louisa's most honored old time merchants. Mrs. Hopkins' ancestral legacy was mind and brain, inherited from some of the best stock of old Virginia and Kentucky, men and women upon whose escutcheon no blemish ever appeared, and she, in her life, lived up to the best ideals of her race. In her youth Mrs. Hopkins received a splendid education at one of the best colleges for women in the West. This was supplemented by a more extensive and varied course of reading and study, so that she became in her ripe years one of the best educated and cultured women in this State. She lived and breathed an atmosphere of culture and refinement and was a social favorite everywhere. Passing years brought grandchildren to her knee and silver to her once dark tresses, but time left no chill in her heart nor did it dim the sparkle in her eye.

In her girlhood days, half a century ago, "Mousie Martin" frequently visited friends and relatives in Louisa. Her charm of mind and manner made her popular with our citizens and the few here now whom she knew felt a pang of deep sorrow and regret when the news of her passing reached them. At the marriage of Dr. and Mrs. Wrote, who hope to celebrate their golden wedding next year, Mrs. Hopkins, then Miss Mousie Martin, was Mrs. Wrote's bridesmaid, radiant in health and charming in manner.